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The General Assembly finds:

- (1) That exposure to asbestos, a known carcinogenic agent, creates a significant hazard to the health of the people of this State;
- (2) That projects to remove asbestos expose increasing numbers of asbestos removers to this hazard;
- (3) That it is in the public interest to protect asbestos removers from this hazard by requiring adherence to strict safety standards on asbestos removal projects; and
- (4) That stricter penalties and independent testing are needed to safeguard the health of asbestos removers in the State.

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